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Ms. Suzanne Becker
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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region II
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Re: Bayonne Barrel & Drum Superfund Site

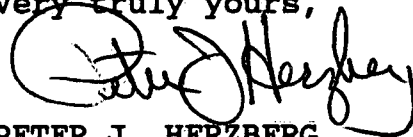
Dear Ms. Becker:

This firm represents American Tape Corporation which received a 104(e) Request For Information regarding the above captioned site. I have on -- at least -- four occasions called the Bayonne Barrel & Drum Site Hot Line and left a message asking for the "nexus" information regarding American Tape's predecessor, Devon Tape, in connection to this Site. Since American Tape Corporation bought Devon Tape long after Bayonne Barrel & Drum was closed, all information regarding a "nexus" to the Bayonne Barrel & Drum Site must have been prior to American Tape's acquisition of Devon Tape. For this reason, we are unable to answer your 104(e) Request For Information without the "nexus" information.

I am herewith requesting an extension of time to answer the Request For Information and requesting the "nexus" information be sent to my attention as soon as possible. Upon receipt of that "nexus" information, we would request fifteen days to answer your 104(e). This will enable us to attempt to go through past records to understand if there is any connection between American Tape Corporation and the Bayonne Barrel & Drum Site.

Thank you very much for your cooperation. If you have any questions, please call me at 201-966-8058.

Very truly yours,



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cc: K.H. Lee, via facsimile

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